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199—26.6(476) Answers.

26.6(1) *Time for.* Answers to applications for new or changed rates, charges, schedules, or regulations shall be permitted only if and when the application is docketed as a formal proceeding by the board, and shall be filed with the board within 20 days after the date of docketing. All answers must specifically admit, deny or otherwise answer all material allegations of the pleadings and also briefly set forth the affirmative grounds relied upon to support such answer; except that a party's failure to file an answer to an application for new or changed rates, charges, schedules, or regulations will be deemed a denial of all allegations of the application.

26.6(2) *Motion to dismiss.* Motions to dismiss applications for new or changed rates, charges, schedules, or regulations shall be permitted only if and when the application is docketed as a formal proceeding by the board.